Descent into the Zone
Part 1-

JOURNEY TO COVINA



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COVINA... The word bounces around in my mind like a soaked newspaper. Going nowhere fast. The memories can be devastating.

Playing all day in the summer heat, typical kid stuff, then laying in bed that night with lungs hurting from breathing. "Smog alerts" that kept us from playing P.E., (we sat around in the Gym and listened to records). Being a teenager with nowhere to go and the Los Angeles County Sheriff always more than willing to harrass you just for *being a teenager with nowhere to go*. The sameness of the houses and the mentality behind those houses. The *whiteness* of the place. The schools with teachers who seemed to believe that ignorance is bliss...

I remember the special assembly we had in elementary school for Walt Disney when he died, watching the reruns of JFK's assasanation on the TV they rolled into the classroom. We watched the World Series on the same TV (if the Dodgers were playing). I had an Algebra teacher in High School who was such a lousy teacher that I stood up in class one day and told him just how bad of a teacher he was, then I walked out of the room. I can still hear him screaming after me "That will be a truant, Galbraith!".

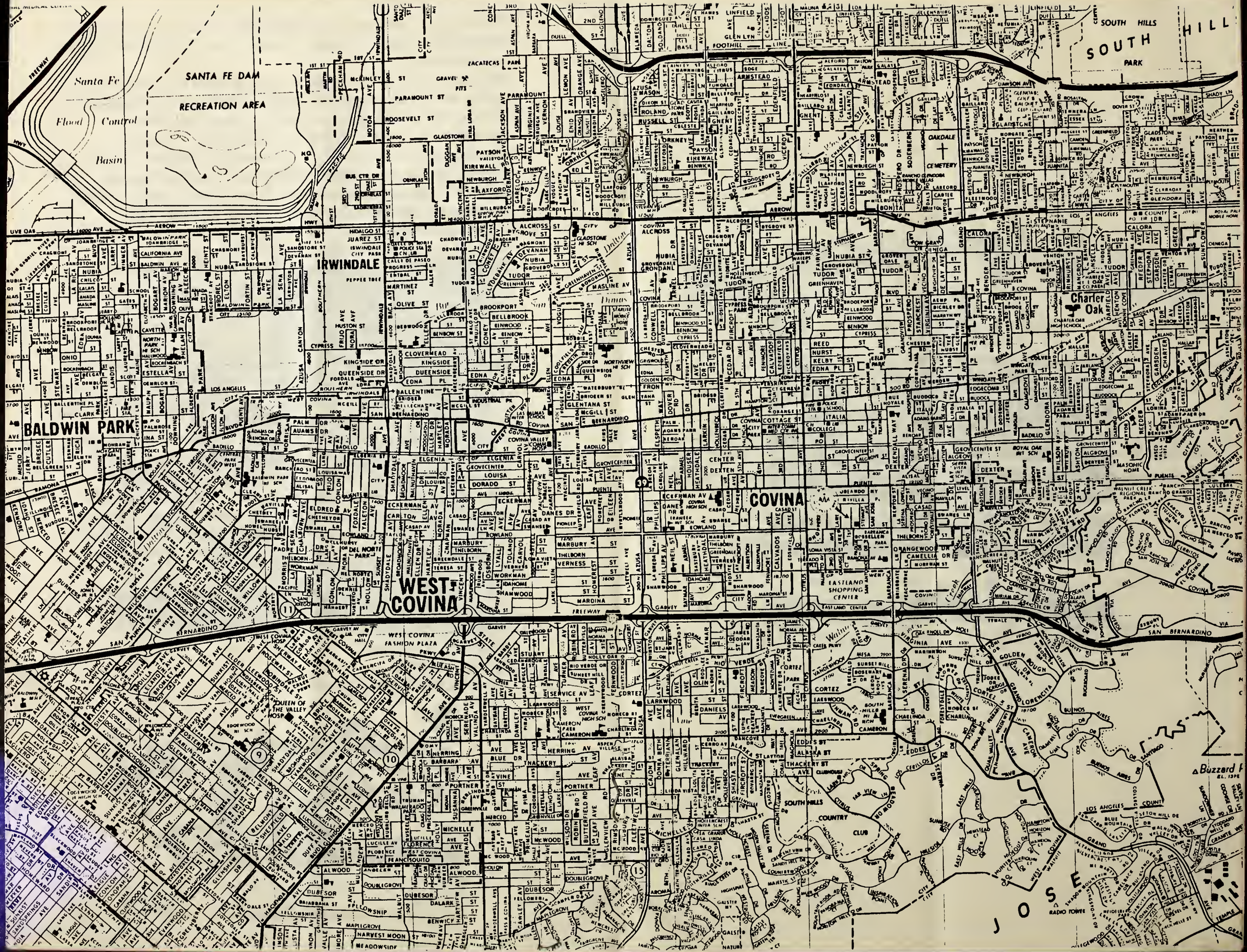
OK, it can't be as bad as i remember. There must have been some shining moments. But they are all tied up in leaving. Camping in the mountains, trips to the beach, ventures throughout the Western States in our 1964 Volkswagon Bus. Oh yes, I remember standing on the corner watching the forest fire in the Angeles National Forest crest the ridge of the mountains that were 6 miles from my house. That was an amazing sight.

I bet that kids can grow up there now and not even know there are mountains a stone's throw away, and i'm sure it hasn't gotten any easier to breathe. Why do people still choose to live there?

Good question.

Ignorance is Bliss, i guess.




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RECREATION AREA
Santa Fe
Flood Control
Basin
FREEWAY
IRWINDALE
BALDWIN PARK
WEST COVINA
COVINA
SOUTH HILLS
SOUTH PARK
HILL
OAKDALE CEMETERY
Charter Oak
EASTLAND SHOPPING CENTER
WEST COVINA FASHION PLAZA
SOUTH HILLS COUNTRY CLUB
SAN BERNARDINO FREEWAY
PACIFIC ELECTRIC
GRAVEL PITS
GLADSTONE
PARAMOUNT ST
ROOSEVELT ST
ARROW HWY
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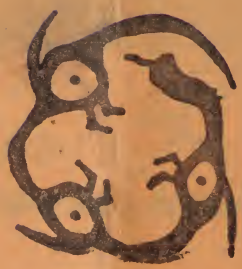
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Beverly Hills
Brentwood Pk
Culver City
Inglewood
Lennox
Hawthorne
Lawndale
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Manhattan Beach
Hermosa Beach
Redondo Beach
Torrance
Palos Verdes Estates
Lomita
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